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All State Fire Mobilization Participants:

This revision of the *Washington State Fire Services Resource Mobilization Plan*, dated May 2002, is approved. The changes to this fourth, full revision have primarily focused on clarifying and streamlining the provisions and procedures that relate to all aspects of a state mobilization incident. The efforts of all involved are to be commended.

Key enhancements in this 2002 revision include:

- > clarification of responsibility for incidents affecting unprotected areas
- > set qualifications for state mobilization personnel resources
- > the establishment of payment teams to accelerate the reimbursement process
- > enhancement of the procedures to be followed for personal injury incidents
- > establishing an audit mechanism for submitted claims

It is imperative that this *State Mobilization Plan* continues to be a dynamic document that reflects the pertinent issues and lessons learned, while at the same time focusing on maximizing efficiency and accountability.

Thank you for your willing and continued participation.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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